

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI  
SOUTHERN DIVISION**

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,**

**Plaintiff,**

**vs.**

**STEVEN LESLIE PEPPER,**

**Defendant.**

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**Case No. 11-03031-01-CR-S-MDH**

**ORDER**

Before the Court is Defendant's *Pro Se* Motion to Reduce Sentence Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2). Defendant was sentenced on or about October 11, 2011 to 420 months imprisonment following a guilty plea for enticement of a minor, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2251(a) and (e), and possession of child pornography, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252(a)(4)(B) and (b)(2). Under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(2), a court may reduce a previously-imposed sentence for a "defendant who has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment based on a sentencing range that has subsequently been lowered by the Sentencing Commission." 18 U.S.C.A. § 3582. In 2023, the Sentencing Commission promulgated Amendment 821, which, in relevant part, allows for a reduction in offense level for certain offenders who lack criminal history points at the time of sentencing. USSG § 4C1.1. In the present case, Defendant is ineligible for modification under this amendment, as Defendant's conviction is a "sex offense" falling under chapter 110 of title 18. For this reason, Defendant's Motion is **DENIED**.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

DATED: May 30, 2024

/s/ Douglas Harpool  
**DOUGLAS HARPOOL**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**